





**PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

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Title:

PROCESS FOR ANCHORING CONNECTING ELEMENTS IN A MATERIAL

WITH PORES OR CAVITIES AND CONNECTING ELEMENTS THEREFOR

Examiner:

J. J. Gallagher

Docket No.:

FRR-32641

(In response to Paper No. 10)

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated August 14, 2001. The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on November 14, 2001. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests and petitions that the response date be extended, for two months, to January 14, 2002. The \$200 small-entity extension of time fee is enclosed. Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

> I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

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